

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections is light of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

I. Amendments

Claims 1 and 2 are amended to clarify the method in which the reference virus particle from mouse brain is prepared to improve comprehensibility of the claims.

Claim 10 is amended to remove the language "the entirety or a part of" to broaden the claim and improve readability.

The amendments to claims 1, 2, and 10 are not related to patentability and are, instead, made to improve the comprehension of the claims. Nor are the amendments to 1 and 2 narrowing as the language is merely added to clarify the prior art method for reference and does not relate to the method of the present invention.

Claims 17 and 18 stand canceled, without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter in the canceled claims in a continuing application.

No new matter is added by way of these amendments.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the claims pending in the application are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4410.

Respectfully submitted,



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